CONTEST AGAINST THE GALLANT

VIRGINIAN DISPOSED OF.

REPRESENTATIVE HAY AND BRYAN.

Their Relations Cordial, Reports to

the Contrary Notwithstanding-Gov. Tyler in Washington-He Will Again Present Our War Claim.

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 19 .-

Special.)-The lorg-drawn-out contested lection case, from the Fifth Virginia

District, of John R. Brown (Republican)

again Claude A. Swanson (Democrat),



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\$4.48.

Men's Good Suits

DOWN TO

FOUR FORTY-EIGHT.

Cash is king. Here : re Suits for \$4.48, but not \$4.48 Suits. They are on sale now is long as they last. These are better Suits than any fair-minded, reasonable buyer would expect for \$7 or \$8.

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7c.

Black and Tan Sox, that comma d

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less than toc. everywh re, and

e places a nickel more. Pick a d

SEVEN-CENT SOX.

HALF HOSE, HALF PRICE,

\$6.39.

and Overcoats SIX THIRTY-NINE.

Here goes an odd price for odd values. There's no possible way to overdraw the merits of the garments for \$6.39. Positively beyond a shadow of a doubt the best goods we have ever offered for the price. This sale will be conducted with lightning rapidity. We must reduce our stock, hence the extraordinary inducements for cash. It will be a long time before such an opportunity will present itself again to secure such values for six thirty-nine.

GREAT EIG BARGAINS.

19c.

NINETEEN CENT NDER ' EAR.

wear, full suits to match, actually retailed for less than wholesale price.

No quibbling, no haggling, no tom-foolery. Nineteen cents each for

MAKERS OF THE CLOTHES THEY SELL.

1003 EAST MAIN STREET.

for Shirts and D: awers.

Heavy-Weight Random Under-

Men's Choice Suits Men's Fine Quality Suits and Overcoats NINE FORTY-EIGHT.

21c.

the sitting member, was disposed of today, resulting in an overwhelming victory for Mr. Swanson. It was the special order, and by a recorded yea and nay vote the House, on motion of Represen-Notwithstanding the heavy tative Miers, of Indiana, refused to coninroads and immense business sider the contest-137 to 78. This is retransacted in the \$9.48 special garded as a final disposition of the case, cut-price Suits and Overcoats for in the face of such a vote it will be throughout all of last week, entirely useless for any partisan of Mr. Brown's, especially a Virginia Republithe line has been strengthened can, to move a reconsideration, as such a by another culling from the proposition would not be entertained, or higher grades, and to-day the if entertained, would be negatived. All assortment is far better than of the Virginia delegation, except Repreever. We mean business with sentative Lamb, who was paired, were this Great Stock-Relief Sale. present, the Democrats voting against Bigger and better values than consideration, and the four Republicans-Wise, Thorp, Yost, and Walker-voting the most penurious would exwith the minority for it. The Virginia pect for nine forty-eight. quartette of Republicans were very indignant at the result, and particularly because of the large number of their party members—twenty-four—who voted with the Democrats to retain Swanson in

his seat. Wise looked glum and Walker grum. This pair have contests in the Fifty-sixth Congress, and the vote to-day-boded them no good. FOR SOLID WOOLLEN KNEE PANTS. Nothing better or more durable has REBUKE TO WALKER.

ever been offered under 35c. There will be no duplicates after this lot is On all sides the result is regarded as a telling rebuke to General Walker, the chairman of the Elections Committee, who exhibited such bitter vindictiveness Every pair made with patent bands and buttons. As long as they and resorted to the most extreme parti-san methods in the hearings of all the Virginia cases that came before his comlast 21c .- all sizes to age 16.

Colonel James D. Brady, who is regard-Colonel James D. Brady, who is regarded as the actual leader of the Republican party in Virginia, expressed himself very freely on the result. The Colonel is a shrewd political manager, and when on the floor or counsel in a contested election case his master hand was always in evidence. He was present to-day, and as an ex-member, had the privilege of the floor.

THIN GOODS.

Doc. Dotted Swiss, per yard ..

that sold for .

HAMBURG SALE.

TAILOR-MADE SUITS.

Speaking of the Brown-Swanson vote, he said "it was the most miserably-con-ducted case on the part of the Virginia Republicans he had ever witnessed. It was a most painful exhibition of the utwas a most painful exhibition of the utter lack of political sagacity, lack of
ability, and lack of influence on the part
of the Republican members from Virginla. Representative Yost." he continued, "did some effective work in the case,
but his colleagues—Walker, Wise, and
Thorp—had absolutely no influence among
the members of the Republican party in
the House. The trio were worse than the House. The trio were worse than drones in the representative hive, and probably were more influential in causing so many of the Republicans to vote with

so many of the Republicans to vote with the Democrats than otherwise."

The Colonel, who appeared, by his re-marks, to be quite indignant, excepted Mr. Yost, who he said, was an able rep-resentative, and had worked hard in this case, but was handicapped by the others, who had neither personal nor political inwho had neither personal nor political in-fluence on the floor of the House.

Democratic leaders claim that the vote to-day is a just vindication of Represen-tative Swanson, the honesty and fairness the seat from the Fifth Virginia District.

HAY AND BRYAN. According to a report published in a Washington paper to-day, there is a sad mistake prevalent in regard to the existing relations between Representative Hay and the Hon. William Jennings Bryan. They are the best of friends. Mr. Hay's They are the best of friends. minority report on the army bill stated in this correspondence, has lor ago been submitted to the House, and full abstract of it published in all the cading papers of the country. Mr. Hay leading papers of the country, Mr. Hay never gave Mr. Bryan an advance copy of the report, nor is he at all incensed at anything that gentleman said regarding the nature of his report. He, with Mr. Balley, had had a conversation with Mr. Bryan, in the course of which he gave both some idea of what his report would be and this they were free to use, if they be, and this they were free to use, if they chose. Only this, and nothing more. Both of the Democratic leaders agreed with Mr. Hay's views as to the reorganization

The reference above made is to part of a Richmond special in the Washington Post of to-day, which is as follows: "The manner in which Colonel William Jennings Bryan recently made public and uncredited use of Congressman Hay's report for the minority of the House Mill tary Committee has surprised and some-what incensed close friends here of Mr. Hay. The member from the Seventh Disries is recognized as one of the ablest men in the Virginia delegation, and hav-ing made a careful study of military mat-ters, will lead the fight against such a army. Mr. Hay prepared the minority re-port of the Committee on Military Affairs at the request of his Democratic col-lengues. When Colonel Bryan went to leagues. When Colonel Bryan went to Washington, Mr. Hay furnished him a copy of his report, which has not yet been submitted to Congress, Mr. Hay was astonished to see that Mr. Bryan had in a speech quoted freely from the report without crediting it, and before the report was made to Congress."

MINORITY LEADERSHIP. Regarding the leadership of the minority in the next House, the Virginia delegation is understood to stand as follows lones for De Armond; Young for Lamb, non-committal; Epes for Balley Swanson for Balley; Otey for Balley Hay for Balley; Rixey, non-committal Rhea for Bailey; Quarles, unknown. Judge De Armond accompanied his friend, Representative Jones, and General Wheeler to Richmond, where they were

all guests of R. E. Lee Camp. SPECIAL MECHANIC WANTED. The United States Civil-Service Com-The United States Civil-Service Commission announces that it is desired to establish an eligible register for the position of special mechanic, office of the United States Superintending Navai Constructor, William R. Trigg Company, Richmond, Va., at a salary of \$3.79 per diem, March 1, 1859.

No educational test will be given but

Richmond, Va., at a salary of diem, March 1, 1859.

No educational test will be given, but applicants will be graded upon their age experience, and character as workmen, and physical ability.

This position is open to all citizens of the United States who comply with the requirements, without regard to race or to political or religious affiliations. All such citizens are invited to apply. They will be graded and certified with entire impartiality and wholly without regard to any consideration save their ability as shown by the grade given them.

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Persons desiring to compete should at once apply to the United States Civil-Service Commission, Washington, D. C. for application blanks (Forms 304 and 394), which should be properly executed and promptly forwarded to the commission at Washington. sion at Washington.

No application will be accepted unless filed in complete form with the commission prior to the hour of closing business on March 1, 1899.

PERSONAL State-Senator Maynard, of Virginia was again at the Capitol to-day, with some friends, whom he introduced to

A SWANSON TRIUMPH. WOMAN'S SENTIMENTS.

They Are Little Understood by Men, But They Cause Her Untold Happiness or Misery.



The girl of to-day is the mother of future generations. Humanity is absolutely dependent for its continuance and preservation on the knowledge and stamina and health of women. Woman's lot and her relations to the world are such as to deserve a great deal more attention and consideration from science than she has yet received.

The American race of women in partic-

she has yet received.

The American race of women in particular has questions to settle that are questions of the suffrage to women or the enactment of a national divorce law.

Why is it that there are so many feeble and sickly women all over the land? Why is it that not an average of over one child is born to American women? Why is it that hundreds of thousands of American men will not marry at all?

Have you ever thought of these things? It is because discase is striking at the very root of the American race. It is because most diseases can trace their cause to one source—viz. troubles of the kidneys and adjacent organs.

The kidneys are the sreat organs of

cured, and it is also known that there is but one absolute cure for diseases of the kidneys and the female organs, and

This great discovery of modern science has been before the public for more than twenty years. It is agknowledged by the medical profession and scientists generally as the only cure which has ever brought sufferers from ease back to health or checked it in its first stages. It is the only great remedy of the present day which sufferers from kidney complaint, men, women, or children, can take with positive certainty the three well be relieved.

Wonderful THE GREAT THE TOWER, Second & Broad. JANUARY SALE. Remnant Sale.

# Amazing Bargain Wonder.

VERY item a bargain gem—made particularly to inaugurate Friday selling with a boom. Read every item, and then come to THE TOWER for values obtainable nowhere else. Big values in PARY CARRIAGES. able nowhere else. Big values in BABY=CARRIAGES—all new spring styles.

#### DR. FOSTER ELECTED

SUPERINTENDENT OF THE EAST-ERN STATE HOSPITAL.

A SKETCH OF - HIS CAREER.

A Native of Mathews County-Direcfor in the Institution Since 1892-His Medical Education and Executive Ability.

WILLIAMSBURG, VA., January 19. (Special)-The Board of Directors of the Eastern State Hospital met in quarterly session to-day, with all the members of King William, Colonel Waiter H. ned over to have a night session to et a superintendent vice Dr. Moneure.

setting superintendent. Dr. John n, in his quarterly report to the rd, appropriately and feelingly alluded he late superintendent, and the board d suitable memorial resolutions. the night session of the board Dr.
Foster, of Mathews county, Va.,
unanimously elected superintendent

a few well-chosen remarks by Mr. J.



DR. L. S. FOSTER. (The New Superintendent.)

of Richmond, Dr. Foster apore the board and accepted the ago. There he married and resided, except when off at He received a collegiate educantered the New York Uni-dicine, from which he gradu-

several years in his native went to Europe and attended e nearly two years at the Royal Twice he has a member of the State Board ers, which position he has filled Dr. Foster was by Governor McKinney a direc-Eastern State Hospital in 1892. and has always been deeply in its welfare and managehe executive department. As ministrative ability, Dr. Foster tht years been at the head of

THE COCKADE CITY.

wa makes him stand in the front by superintendents of the State.

Svernment Contract-To Deepen the Appomattox.

TERSBURG, VA., January 19 .- (Spe-The Petersburg Iron-Works has even a contract by the government manufacture of 2,000 4-inch shells. or manufacture of 2,000 4-inch shells, order for these shells was given in sture of a compliment to the combecause of the very prompt and actory execution of the several preontracts for the manufacture of manufacture of ordns of different and the high grade of the material

There were several bidders wife of Mr. Harry F. whose extreme tliness has been sed, died this morning at her hus-

ME. WYTHE WHITE'S WEDDING.

Popular Young Richmond Man Weds Miss Reinohl, of Washington.

The Washington Star of yesterday contains the following account of the marringe in that city of a popular Richmond

"Hamline Methodist Episcopal church was filled last evening by the friends of Mr. Wythe White, of Richmond, and Miss In a Brilliant Lecture, He Makes a Mazie A. Reinohl, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Reinohl, of this city, to witness their marriage. The bride entered the church on the arm of her father, robed in which organdic over white taffeta silk, and carried a beautiful bouquet of bride roses, lilles of the valley, and maiden-hair ferns. The maid of honor, maiden-hair ferns. The maid of nonor, Miss Gertrude Houston, wore a handsome pink organdie over pink taffeta silk, and carried La France roses. The groom was attended by Mr. Stafford M. White, of New York, as best man, and Master Francis A. Reinohi, brother of the bride, Francis A. Reinohl, brother of the bride, as ring page. The ushers were Mr. D. Weimer Reinohl, of New York; Mr. W. Parker Reinohl; Mr. Porter Cox. of this city; Mr. Edgar B. White, brother of the groom, and Mr. Harvey L. Taylor, of Richmond, and Mr. Graham Hill, of Alexandria. The Rev. Dr. W. R. Stricklen, pastor of the church, performed the wedding ceremony, during the early part of which Mr. O. D. Swett, organist of the church rendered with most pleasing efchurch, rendered with most pleasing effect, "Sweetest Story Ever Told." As bridal couple were kneeling at the chan-cel rail, the choir of the church, of which the bride is a member, under the leader-ship of Mr. W. J. Palmer, sang the anthem, "O, Perfect Love," in an impressive and charming manner. Among those present from out of the city were Mrs.
Judge Joseph J. White, mother of the
groom; Mr. J. Carter White, Mr. Edgar
B. White, and Mrs. G. B. Peasley, of B. White, and all and sister of the groom; Mr. W. A. Dickerson, of Richmond; Mrs. William M. Merrick, aunt of the bride, of Philadelphia; Miss Mattle L. Seip, of Mauch Chunk, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. S. Roland Dishman, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hibbs; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lennan, of Alexandria; Mr. George Shoe-maker, of Hamilton, Va., and Mr. George Lawson, of North Carolina. The bride was the recipient of many handsome and the two families at the home of the bride, 611 Q street, northwest, Mr. and Mrs. White left the city on the 19 P. M. train for New York, where they expect to remain until the 28th instant, and will have eptions tendered them in Brook-

EVEN TOOK HIS SHOES OFF. Thomas Merriman Very Roughly

Dealt With by Unknown Men. Richmond has certainly had one genuine, and a very aggravated case, too,

of hold-up within the past week. Two unknown men assaulted Thomas Merriman Sunday morning about 2 o'clock at Eighteenth and Broad streets. just at Cullingworth's corner, and not only robbed him of his watch and chain, all the money (several dollars) that he had, and his shoes, but also beat him most horribly, leaving him only at the approach of several citizens and an officer of the several citizens and an officer of the several citizens.

attracted by their victim's screams of pain and horror. 'SQUIRE DONATI THERE. Squire V. Donati, who was the first to reach the man's side, gives a most graphic account of this thrilling horror of the early morning hours.

Just before 2 o'clock the 'Squire and two
of his porters were going up on Church
Hill from down town. When they had

bands residence on east Tabb street from the effects of meningitis, from which she had surfered for some weeks. Several days ago she had a relapse, with other complications, and medical skill failed to releve. Mrs. Keefer lost her youngest son, a bright and popular young man, with meningitis list year. She was a mest estimable lady, widely known and beloved in the community. She leaves three grown sons.

It is said that the city's dredge will be put to work in a day or two to dredge the river at points below the harbor. It has been some time since any work of this kind has been done, and bars have been formed which render navigation of the government appropriation for the improvement of the Appemattox river, and this fund will be drawn upon for the above purpose.

In the Hustings Court to-day M. P. Rooney (colored) was convicted of stealing a cow from his uncle, and was sentenced to the penitentiary for one year.

The large new building at the corner of Sycamore and Tabb streets has been pulled down, and on the site will soon be commenced the erection of the new banking-house for the Petersburg Savings and Insurance Company.

MR. WYTHE WHITE'S WEDDING.

even to his shoes. His money find his

officer Parkinson was soon on the cene, also, and took Merriman, truly clying his jovial name, to the station-couse, where he was cared for and made No arrests have yet been made.

DR. CONWELL ON LAUGHTER,

Plea for Mirth.

The immense audience which heard Rev. Dr. Russell H. Conwell speak at the Academy of Music last night, under the auspices of the Richmond Lyceum, hardly knew what to expect when the subject of his discourse was announced as "A Jolly Earthquake." The speaker, who has appeared before in Richmond, was heralded by a national reputation, and this, combined with the delightful impressions he felt here last winter, seder any circumstances, could be jolly, all expected an intellectual treat, and it safe to say there was not a disappointed

soul in the house.

The lecturer, who was very happily in-The lecturer, who was very happiny in-troduced by Rev. William A. Barr, be-gan in his unique way by relating a pe-culiar Japanese tradition, which tells of a remarkable earthquake which occurred in 1695, and which, though unspeakably disastrous and horrible in its conse quences, was accompanied by emitted gases, which produced mirth and laugh er, The story, based on the folklore these distant islands, is, of course, absurd when viewed from a civilized stand-point, but Dr. Conwell cleverly used it as a basis for a discourse on cheerfulm and light-heartedness. In short, his le ture was on "Laughter" (pronounce with a broad A, if you please), and the speaker, with irresistible wit, humor, and speaker, with irresistible wit, humor, and eloquence, threw all the weight of his persuasiveness in favor of might. He said that we Americans do not laugh enough—that we are too greedy after the "almighty dollar"—and that if our risibilities were more freely exercised there would be more health and happiness and less insanity in this world. Indeed, the eloquent divine openly stated that laughter was a fine preventive and a fine anti-dote for loss of reason. He quotes statistics to show that our nation, too energetic and too absorbed for merriment, is lamentably ahead of others in its proportion of persons non compos.

But Dr. Conwell did not treat his sub-

But Dr. Conwell did not treat his subject matter from an academic and theoretical standpoint. He showed the good effects of merriment by himself, making his auditors laugh, or rather, roar. Ingeniously interwoven among the main threads of his lecture was a delichtful reads of his lecture was a delightful chain of anecdotes, reminiscences, and pokes, which for actual fun and humor have rarely been equalled in this city. In the telling of these Dr. Conwell was at his best, though he is a master of oratory and a veritable eagle in flights of rhetoric. Not for an instant did he lose rhetoric. Not for an instant did he lose his hold on his audience, and not for a second was he dull or prosale. If he believes in mirth he certainly did his share

lieves in mirth ne certainly did his share last night in producing it.

The speaker, near the close of his lec-ture, aroused great enthusiasm by pay-ing a beautiful tribute to General Robert E. Lec. He alluded to the fact that the Confederates were at that time celebrat-Confederates were at that time celebrating the anniversary of the birth of the great southern leader, expressed the highest admiration for Lee as a soldier and Christian gentleman, and said he re-loiced that in this era of peace and unity the North, as well as the South, recognized his greatness. "The time is com-ing," he said, "when the entire world will recognize the greatness of Lee."

#### SALE OF COTTON AND DOMESTIC GOODS.

Rather early to talk about it, but we bought the 1899 Patterns way below the prices! The best Shirting Prints, sell everywhere for 5 and 6c., to-day. prices! 162-3c. Organdies, Dimities, in stripes, plaids, and fioral effects, to be 7.C. 4c. Calicoes, in light ...... 124c. Figured Organdies, in all 61c. solld Colored Organdies, in 121c. WHITE GOODS SALE. 81C The well-known Unbleached Cotton, 20 yards to customer, for, per yard 16 2-3c. White Dimities for ....

10c. Bleached Jeans ..... Corded 17c. 5c. Unbleached Canton Flannel 614c. Bleached Cotton, 1 yard 42c.

Androscoggia Cotton, the L

dark and light, for ..... 200 Suits, bought to be sold at great reduction; wenderful values at \$10 grade, for per yard grade, for per yard English Duck, sold for 162-3c. 

#### SALE OF SHEETS AND PILLOW-CASES.

90x90 Sheets, the Androscoggin 50c. 3c. Pillow and Boister Cases at great re-2c.

MUSLIN UNDERWEAR.

BLACK DRESS GOODS.

It would not pay you to buy the Muslin to have them made when you can buy at such prices we offer to you. Come TO-DAY for wonderful values.

39c. Black Dress Goods, 44 inches 17c. 4.c.

CLOAKS, CAPES, AND FURS. Rather late to talk about the prices we will offer you-will be such inducement 5c. you can't help from buying-come to-

HANDKERCHIEF SALE. 33c. Gentlemen's 10 and 15c. Colored-Border and White Handkerchlefs to be sold 5c. Ladies' Colored-Border Handker-

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Va.; D. B. Yancey, Harrisonburg, Va.;
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wife, Bristol, Va.; R. L. Briscoe, Fredericksburg, Va.—Howard House.
Miss M. Morris, Richmond; J. W.
Jacobs and wife, Norfolk, Va.—St. James,
J. R. Smith and wife; E. C. Jordan, Virginia—National.

Messrs, E. Shepardson, of Richmond, Weisiger, of Manchester, are at C. A. Simpson, and M. P. Haskett, Front Royal; F. R. Fairfax, Virginia—The

American. L. Rosser, Charlottesville, Va.-The POSTAL

Among the fourth-class postmasters

among the fourth-class postmasters appointed to-day were George B. Lamm, vice Augustus Barnes, removed, at Black Creek, Wilson county, N. C., and J. H. Hines, vice William R. Harvey, dead, at Vandola, Pittsylvania county, Va. Those commissioned were Elijah T. Sproles, Clinchport, Va.; Harvey B. Coonwell, Great Falls, Va., and George W. Williams, Sandy, Va.

office has been established at Syria, Madison county, Va., with William T. Berrey as postmaster. Special from Craiglersville. GOVERNOR TYLER AT THE CAPITOL

Governor Tyler was at the Capitol today, and was granted the privilege of the floor of the House during the taking of the vote on the Brown-Swanson con-test. He was accorded quite an ovation, and was introduced to a large number of members of both political parties. The Governor is here principally in behalf of some young gentlemen who wish to sewhen the bill reorganizing it passes Conwhere he introduced one or two applicants to the President, who was exce ingly cordial, promised to bear the mat-ter in mind, and to do what he could

when opportunity offers.

Owing to the absence of Captain Lamb, who has the papers, Governor Tyler did not mention the claim of the State for money due by the Federal Government for supplies furnished the Virginia troops last April. He will, however, call again to-morrow, and explain the matter to the President, remind him of his promises, and, no doubt, will succeed in obtaining an order for an early adjustment. Governor Tyler will, by invitation, visit the Pure Food Congress to-morrow, and will probably make a brief address,

CONFEDERATE REUNION. The Confederate reunion here to-night was a grand success. Eloquent and pa-triotic speeches were made, all of them repudiating the Butler amendment providing for pensions for ex-Confederate Marriage licenses were issued to-day as

follows: Charles D. Huff, Brocket, some friends, whom he introduced to Governor Tyler and Representative Hay in the east lobby of the House.

H. F. Brett, Jr., of Portsmouth, and Colonel J. D. Brady, of Richmond, are stopping at the Ebbitt.

S. M. Duffy and wife, North Carolina; cey and Annie M. Green, both of Cul-

### "THE TOWER,"

LC.

Three privates of the Ninth Ohio (colored) Regiment, now stationed at Summerville, were up before Recorder Jervey, in the Police Court here this mornins, charged with starting a riot in a low dive on Market street. Several shots were fired by the soldiers, and they resisted arrest by a policeman. Mayor Smythe wrote to General Watles, who commands where to General Watles, who commands Camp Marion, asking whether the soldiers should be tried by the civil or the mili-Camp Marion, asking whether the soldiers should be tried by the civil or the military authorities. The General replied tary authorities. The General replied that the civil courts should proceed with

In the City Court Privates John Mc-Pheeters and Simon Jackson were fined on minor charges against them \$59 and \$20, respectively. On the charge of assault and battery, with intent to kill, they ap-peared before a magistrate and were sent peared before a magistrate and were sent to jail to await trial at the Court of Sessions. The third soldier, Richard Harrell, was fined \$10 by the Recorder for being drunk and disorderly.

THE BALANCE OF TRADE.

Exports for 1898 Quite Large-Imports Unusually Small.

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 19 --(Special.)-The story of the foreign com-(Special.)—The story of the foreign commerce of 1898 is now complete. Its exports are the larg at in our history, its imports the smallest slace 1885, aith ugh the consuming populatine and any of the consuming populatine and a percent greater than at that time. And as if to emphasize the great wirk of this greatest year, the month of December made for itself the highest record of empires ever made by any month in our ports ever made by any month in our

history.

The total exports of December were \$137.817.418, and of the full calendar year, \$1.254.925.105. Only two earlier c.l n ar years crossed the billi n-dollar line—that two loops and 1856. years crossed the billin-dollar line—that of 1897 having been \$1.099,709,045 and 1895 \$1.096.867,241. The largest record of any month prior to that just ended was that of November, 1898, which was \$129,780.014. while only sixteen months in our h story ever crossed the one-hundred-million-dollar line in our exports. Three months of the calen ar year 1891 and three mon hs of the calend r year 1896 show d exp rts in excess of \$100,000,000, four mo t s in 1897, while six of the twelve months of 1808 showed exports of more than \$190,000,-000 each and the full year averaged more than \$100,000,000 for its entire twelve

months.

The imports of the year are as notable as the exports, but for reverse reasons, being the smallest since 1836, a though being the small the consuming population is a above in-dicated, 33 per cent, greater that at that time. They amount to 0 by 63,64,634. time The amount to only 6%, against \$742,623,833 in 1897. Thus the shows an increase of more than \$150,000,-\$100,000,000 in imports, giving by in the largest excess of exports eve ke we in commerce.

The total excess of exports of merchan-

18c. ISc. Light Blue, Green, Pink, Brown, 47c.

Julius Sycle & Son. dise is \$521,260,535, against \$357,030,911 in 1897, which was the highest recors prior

The largest exports in our his'ory, coupled with the unusually small imports, were naturally accompanied by the largest net importations of gold. The total gold importations for the year were \$138,036,352, and the total gold expertations \$16,194,954, making the excess of imports of gold for the year \$13,036,357. The than that of any earler yeas save \$95 and 1857, while the exports stated in bul-

lion value (except coins of the United States exported), were \$5.797,10', a sum larger than that of any preceding year, except 1895, 1896, and 1897. PRINCELY PRICE FOR A PINK, Thirty Thousand Dollars Paid in

Boston. BOSTON, January 19,-Owing to the receipt of offers of \$5,000 from H. N. Higinbotham, of Chicago, and \$15,000 from a New York florist, for an interest in the Mrs. Thomas W. Lawson carnations, Thomas W. Lawson himself sent a letter

New York florist, for all interests. Mrs. Thomas W. Lawson himself sent a letter to Mr. Galvin, the owner of the flower, in which he said that it should not leave Boston if it was only a matter of dollars. He therefore made two offers to the florist. The first was of \$7,000-82.00 more florist. The first was of \$7,000-82.00 more than Mr. Highinbotham's offer—for a plant tof the Mrs. Thomas W. Lawson carnation, with the understanding that he would present it to the city of Boston, to be propagated at its nurseries for display in its public gardens and for the benefit of the citizens of Hoston, with the understanding that Mr. Galvin should give to no one else the right to propagate it, or change its name. The second offer was of \$30,000 for the sole right to the name and the \$000 plants the florist has, provided Galvin would continue to handle the business of selling the carnation on the terms stated in a letter sent to Mr. Lawson Mr. Galvin sent word to Mr. Lawson that he would accept the latter proposition, so that the pleasant sensation which the pretty pink has been creating is at an end for the present. Mr. Lawson's letter to Galvin was characteristic: "We well know," he writes, "that Chicago has many, many things that our little town has not, and that her great citizens should have about all they reach for, but there are a few things they must do without, and one of these is the head-liful flower you so kindly named for Mrs. Lawson. Those of us whose being has been confined to our modest little town, and whose aspirations and ambitions have been sequired from and moulded by her old-fashioned and simple traditions, should not be disturbed or molested in the possession of that love and the few thinks we love and understand, and which understand us—the flowers—even by the great people of Chicago."

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